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MONTANA FISH & GAME COMMISSION
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TO:

Montana
Fish and Game Commission

# FISHING MAP
## 1959-1960

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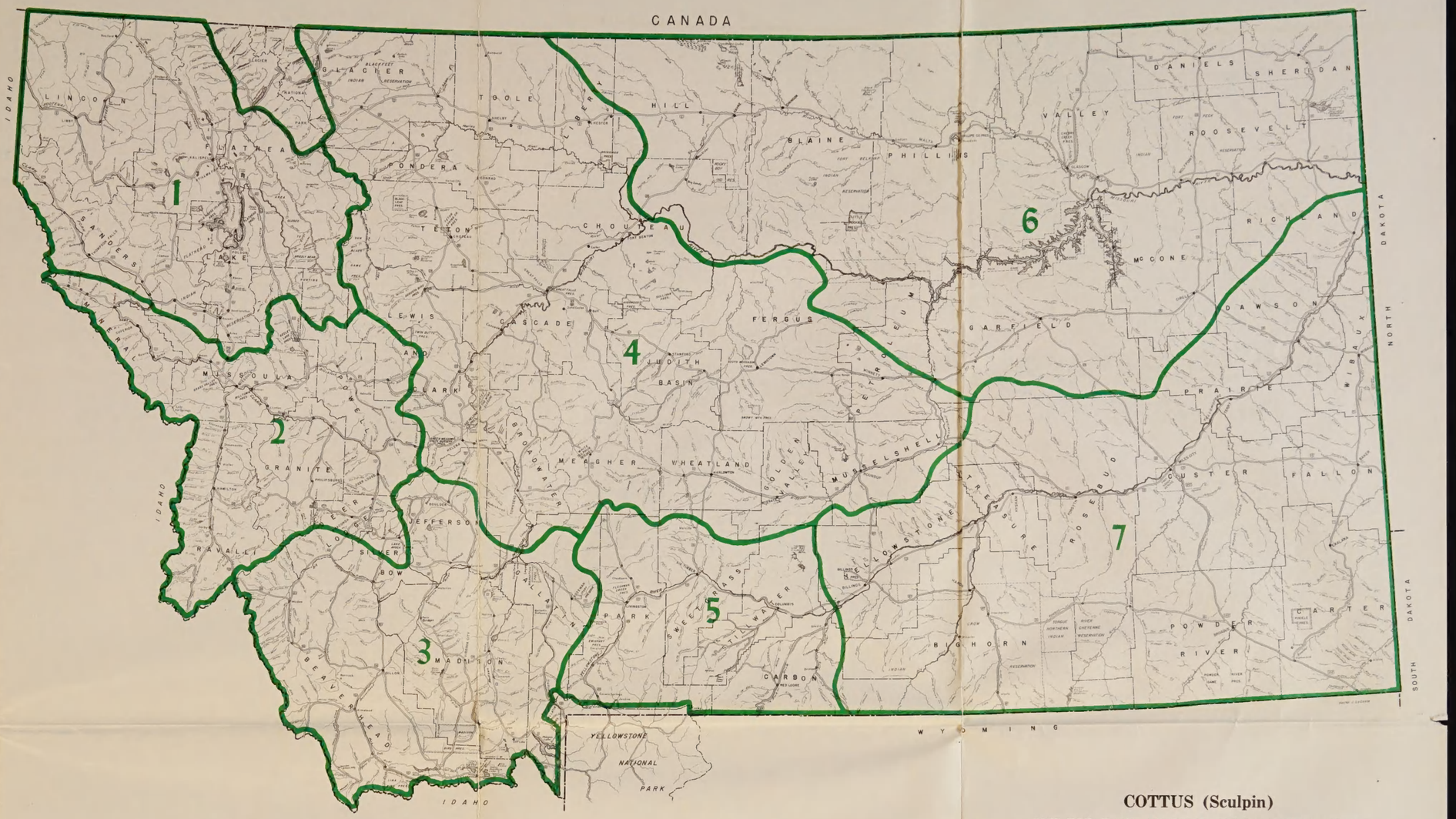
**Be a Good Woodsman — Use Care with Fires — Leave a Clean Camp. Good Sportsmen Observe the Rights of Landowners — Ask His Permission to Hunt or Fish on His Land.**




## IT IS UNLAWFUL

1. To empty a minnow bucket (release live fish) or otherwise transplant or introduce any fish or fish eggs into any waters.

2. To take fish in any manner except by angling with a single pole and/or line in hand or under immediate control unless specifically authorized by fishing regulations.

3. To refuse to show license on demand.

4. To loan or transfer your fishing or hunting license or tags to any person.

5. To take or ship game or game fish out of the State without a shipping permit.

6. To sell or offer for sale any game or game fish.

7. To use, sell or have in possession salmon eggs or other fish spawn or any imitations thereof.

8. To use or have in possession a fish spear.

9. To use or possess minnow seines or traps, snares, or fish traps unless specified under area regulations.

10. To introduce any food or substance into any waters that may concentrate or attract fish. (This does not prohibit angling for fish with legal lures and baits).

11. To use any carbide, lime, giant powder, dynamite, or other explosive compounds, or any corrosive or narcotic poison or to have any of the same in one's possession within one hundred (100) feet of any stream where fish are found, for the purpose of stunning or killing fish.

12. To operate a boat upon Montana waters which is not carrying one adequate life preserver for each passenger.

## LICENSES AND FEES

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| Resident Bird and Fish License (Class A) | $ 3.00 |
| Resident Big Game (Must be Holder of Class A License) | 3.00 |
| Non-resident Seasonal Fishing License | 10.00 |
| Non-resident 6-Day Limited Fishing | 3.00 |
| Non-resident Bird | 25.00 |
| Non-resident Big Game, Birds and Fishing | 100.00 |
| Non-resident Deer (Special Areas) | 20.00 |
| Goat Permit (Special Areas Only) | 5.00 |
| Non-resident Antelope (Special Areas) | 20.00 |
| Trapper's License (Must be Holder of Class A License) | 10.00 |
| Land Owner's Trapping License | 1.00 |
| Resident Fur Dealer's License | 10.00 |
| Non-resident Fur Dealer's License | 50.00 |
| Fur Dealer's Agent's License | 10.00 |
| Taxidermist's License | 15.00 |
| Outfitter's License | 10.00 |

All Aliens May Purchase Non-resident Licenses.

No person may remove game fish from the state without a shipping permit.

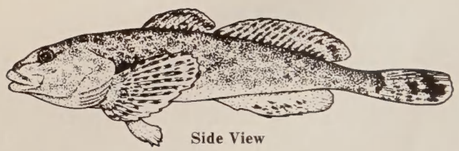
Shipping permits may be obtained from license dealer agents or from the Montana Fish and Game Department, Helena, Montana.

Shipping Permits ..... $ .60

One shipping permit is attached to the non-resident fishing license.

## COTTUS (Sculpin)

USE FOR BAIT ALLOWED IN SPECIFIED AREAS



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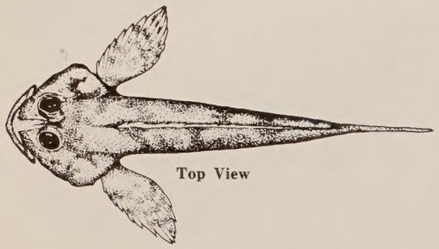
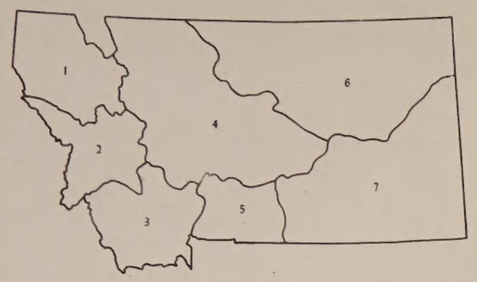


Top View

Approximately Life Size

## FISHERMEN NOTICE!

Fishing cannot be greatly improved until the Fish and Game Commission has more information available. One of the greatest needs is catch data. Sportsmen interested in cooperating to improve fishing are requested to mail a card to the Helena Office asking for a Fisherman's Log in which they may enter their catch records. Please do not make this request out of curiosity, but only if you are truly interested in cooperating by keeping an account of your catch records.

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## Montana
## Fish and Game Commission

# FISHING REGULATIONS
# 1959-1960

## Effective May 24, 1959

To be in full force and effect through May 21, 1960, unless otherwise specified. All regulations, except state laws, are subject to change by the Commission. For up-to-date information, inquire of the local State Fish and Game Warden.

General state-wide provisions for creel limits, seasons, fishing hours, means of taking fish, etc., are specified below. Specific regulations are given herein under seven areas. The area in which you intend to fish may be determined from the map. The state-wide regulations which follow apply except where otherwise specified under area regulations.

### SEASONS

All dates given are inclusive dates. Where dates specify an open season, fishing is closed throughout the remainder of the year.

### HOURS OF FISHING

Regular fishing hours: Open from 5:00 a. m. to 10:00 p. m. Mountain Standard Time, in all waters including waters open entire year, unless otherwise specified.

Kokanee snagging, when permitted, will be open from 8:00 a. m. to 5:00 p. m. Mountain Standard Time.

Set line fishing, when permitted, will be at all hours.

### DAILY BAG LIMITS AND POSSESSION LIMITS

One each of the following limits may be taken and possessed. No person shall take or possess more than the daily bag limit of fish unless otherwise specified. Weight limits to be computed by dressed weight with heads and tails intact, provided that two (2) fish may be caught regardless of weight limitation. These regulations shall apply to both fresh game fish and to game fish which have been frozen, dried, salted, or otherwise preserved.

Limit Number 1. **Trout, Char, Salmon and Grayling:** Ten (10) fish not to exceed ten (10) pounds and one (1) fish.

Limit Number 2. **Whitefish:** Twenty (20) fish.

Limit Number 3. **Walleye Pike, Sauger, Northern Pike and Bass:** Fifteen (15) fish not to exceed fifteen (15) pounds and one (1) fish.

Limit Number 4. **Snagging of Kokanee** (sockeye salmon): The daily bag limit during snagging season designated under area regulations shall be thirty-five (35) fish and not more than two (2) day's limit will be allowed in possession.

Limit Number 5. **Non-Game Fish:** No limit.

### GAME FISH

All species of the family Salmonidae (chars, trout and salmon); all species of the family Thymallidae (grayling); all species of the family Coregonidae (whitefish); all species of the genus Stizostedion (sand pike or sauger, and walleye pike or yellow pike-perch); all species of the genus Esox (northern pike, pickerel and muskellunge); all species of the genus Micropterus (bass).

### NON-GAME FISH

All species of fish not listed above under "Game Fish" are non-game fish.

### MEANS OF TAKING

It is illegal to use more than one line with hook or hooks attached or more than one pole with one line to the pole, with the exceptions as provided for set lines. The single pole or single pole with line shall be in hand or immediate control.

Set lines shall not be permitted unless specifically stated under area regulations and no more than six (6) lines with no more than six (6) hooks per line shall be allowed per person.

Snagging of fish is unlawful at all times except as provided in specific area regulations under **Snagging of Kokanee.** Here snagging of kokanee with a combination of hooks shall be permitted.

Fishing for (or hunting of) carp shall be allowed with a bow and arrow. The use of crossbows and mechanical bows shall be prohibited.

Use or possession of minnow seines or traps, snares, or fish traps is unlawful unless specified under area regulations.

BAIT: It shall be prohibited for any person to transport, possess, and/or use for fish bait any fish, dead or alive, except as hereinafter provided under drainage area regulations. All waters of the state shall be closed to fishing with carp and goldfish. (This regulation shall not apply to the use of cut bait for fish bait nor to the use of commercially canned fish). In areas where sculpins (Cottus) may be used for bait, they may be taken with window screen or a piece of netting not to exceed four (4) feet in length.

### CLOSED WATERS

All waters operated by the Fish and Game Department and the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service as fish hatcheries, rearing ponds, and the fish culture stations within the state shall be closed to fishing at all times. Unless otherwise specified under drainage area, National Wildlife Refuges are closed to fishing.

**CHILDREN'S FISHING WATERS:** Waters so designated in area regulations are closed to fishing during the entire year to persons thirteen (13) years of age and over.

### PENALTY FOR VIOLATIONS

Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of any order, rule or regulation of the State Fish and Game Commission made pursuant to the authority given said Commission by any of the laws of Montana, particularly including Sections 26-101 to 26-1306, and all acts amendatory thereof or supplemental thereto shall, unless a different punishment is expressly provided by law for such violation, be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be punishable by a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars ($25.00), nor more than five hundred dollars ($500.00), or by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than six (6) months, or by both such fine and imprisonment, and in addition thereto such person shall, in the discretion of the court, forfeit his license and privileges to hunt, fish or trap within this state for a period of sixteen (16) months from the date of his or her conviction.

## AREA NO. 1
### Northwestern Montana

**CLARK FORK RIVER DRAINAGE BELOW THE MOUTH OF THE FLATHEAD RIVER, FLATHEAD RIVER AND KOOTENAI RIVER DRAINAGES**

**CLOSED ENTIRE YEAR: Flathead River Drainage**—South Fork of the Flathead River downstream from Hungry Horse Dam to the "Devil's Elbow," as posted. Swan River from the hydroelectric plant to the old highway bridge. Herrig Creek, tributary of Little Bitterroot Lake. Rand, Green Mountain, and Fish Creeks tributaries of Ashley Lake. Donaldson and Freeland Creeks tributaries of Lake Mary Ronan. Smith Lake north of Whitefish Lake. Rogers Lake and Lauri Lake. Haskell Creek and tributaries from the Whitefish public water intake to its source. Big Creek, Coal Creek, Whale Creek, and their tributary streams. Trail Creek (Yakinikak) from where it comes out of the ground, approximately five (5) miles above the North Fork Road, to the North Fork of the Flathead River. Hell Roaring Creek, water supply for Polson, and its lakes from the outlet of the lower lake to its source. Crow Creek and its tributaries above the intake for the Ronan water supply to its source. Mission Creek from Mission Lake to the St. Ignatius public water supply intake. South Fork of Jocko River and all its tributaries including Crazy Fish Lake. Hot Springs Creek and its tributaries from the Hot Springs public water supply intake to its source. Ashley Creek from the Thompson Falls public water supply intake to its source.

**Kootenai River Drainage**—Flower Creek and its artificial impoundments from the Power Dam to its source, excluding the natural lakes. O'Brien Creek from the intake of the city water supply for Troy to its source.

**OPEN ENTIRE YEAR:** All lakes in Area No. 1, except Lake Mary Ronan, Kilbrennan Lake and Stryker Lake (see below). All lakes shall be closed 300 feet in any direction from stream mouths, from March 1 to the opening day of the connecting streams. This does not apply to seepage areas. Flathead Lake is excluded from the three hundred (300) foot provision, and instead that portion of the lake two thousand (2,000) feet into the lake in every direction from where the Flathead and Swan Rivers enter the lake shall be closed from March 1 to June 13.

In addition the following rivers, but not their tributaries, will be open the entire year: Flathead River below Kerr Dam, Kootenai River and Clark Fork River.

**OPEN MAY 24 to NOVEMBER 30** for all species: Lake Mary Ronan and all streams unless otherwise specified.

**OPEN JUNE 14 to NOVEMBER 30** for all species: South Fork of the Flathead River and all its tributaries, excluding Hungry Horse Reservoir. The tributaries of the North Fork and Middle Fork of the Flathead River, except those closed the entire year. Jocko River and its tributaries above the mouth of the South Fork of the Jocko River.

**SPECIAL SEASONS:** Except as noted below, Ninepipe and Pablo Reservoirs shall be closed to fishing from March 1 to July 15 and shall also be closed to fishing during the migratory waterfowl hunting season and open throughout the remainder of the year. Fishing shall be allowed from the main dikes and for a distance of approximately one and one-half (1½) miles of shoreline on the north end of Ninepipe Reservoir, as posted by the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, during the entire year, excepting the migratory waterfowl hunting season.

Kilbrennan Lake and Stryker Lake shall be open from May 24 to October 1.

**WHITEFISH ONLY SEASON: December 1 to March 31**—Thompson River from its mouth to Indian Creek. Bull River, Yaak River, Fisher River below Highway No. 2 bridge.

**SNAGGING OF KOKANEE October 1 to December 15** from 8:00 a. m. to 5:00 p. m. each day: All waters unless otherwise specified. See OTHER below.

**CHILDREN'S FISHING WATERS:** The following waters, as posted, will be open to persons twelve (12) years of age and under, **from May 24 to November 30,** for all species: The waters located on Ray E. Meadows property near Thompson Falls. The Troy Rod and Gun Club's annual kids pond.

**SET LINE FISHING:** Kootenai River for ling and sturgeon only.

**SMALL FISH FOR BAIT:** Use not allowed.

**OTHER:** The minimum size of Dolly Varden (bull trout) which may be taken in Flathead Lake and its tributary drainages shall be eighteen (18) inches with head and tail intact.

The daily bag limit of kokanee (sockeye salmon) shall be thirty-five (35) fish during the entire year and two days' limit shall be allowed in possession, except for Lake Mary Ronan where the daily bag limit and possession limit at all times shall be ten (10) kokanee not to exceed ten (10) pounds and one (1) fish.

The following areas on Flathead Lake shall be closed to fishing during the kokanee (sockeye salmon) spawn taking operations from October 1 to December 15, as posted and extending three hundred (300) feet in to the lake: 1) an area of shoreline seven hundred fifty (750) feet along Crescent Bay near Rollins Bay, 2) five hundred (500) feet of shoreline along the Somers Hatchery Bay, and 3) the shoreline of the East Shore of Flathead Lake near the Polson (Station Creek) Fish Hatchery from Dr. Richard's northern property line to the Thometz Boat Dock on the south.

## AREA NO. 2
### West Central Montana

**CLARK FORK RIVER DRAINAGE (Defined as the Clark Fork River Drainage above the mouth of the Flathead River).**

**CLOSED ENTIRE YEAR:** Silver Creek and Packer Creek near Saltese above their water supply dams.

Rattlesnake Creek and tributary streams from the Missoula water supply dam of the Montana Power Company to its source.

Fred Burr Lake, Philipsburg water supply. Basin Creek from the lower Butte water supply reservoir dam to its source, including all reservoirs and tributaries. Flint Creek from the Skalkaho Road upstream approximately one (1) mile to the irrigation weirs as posted. Big Spring in Georgetown Lake in an area designated by piles or buoys for a distance of two hundred (200) feet north and south of the shoreline out into the lake. Miller Creek near Missoula.

**OPEN ENTIRE YEAR** for all species: All lakes unless otherwise specified. Clark Fork River below Milltown Dam. The main Clearwater River from the Rainy Lake Fish Barrier to Salmon Lake.

**OPEN MAY 24 to NOVEMBER 30** for all species: All streams and rivers unless otherwise specified.

**OPEN JUNE 14 to NOVEMBER 30** for all species: Streams, lakes and rivers of the Clearwater drainage above the Rainy Lake Fish Barrier. The Little Blackfoot drainage from the Helena Lions Sunshine Camp to its source.

**SPECIAL SEASONS:** Georgetown Lake—(Except within a three hundred (300) foot radius of the mouth of Flint Creek, and except as specified under Closed Entire Year). Open to fishing from June 28 through October 31. Open to fishing on Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays from December 13 through March 1, and closed the remainder of the year.

Georgetown Lake Tributaries: (Stewart Mill Creek, Hardtla Creek, Flint Creek above the lake and that portion of the lake within a three hundred (300) foot radius of the mouth of Flint Creek). Open to fishing from August 2 through October 31 and closed the remainder of the year.

**WHITEFISH ONLY SEASON December 1 to March 31:** St. Regis River and Fish Creek near Superior. Blackfoot River Drainage below Lincoln. West Fork, East Fork and main Bitterroot Rivers. Little Blackfoot River below Elliston highway bridge. Rock Creek (east of Missoula) below the Skalkaho road.

**SNAGGING OF KOKANEE October 1 to December 15** from 8:00 a. m. to 5:00 p. m. each day: Clearwater drainage below Rainy Lake Fish Barrier.

**CHILDREN'S FISHING WATERS:** The following waters, as posted, will be open to persons twelve (12) years of age and under, from **May 24 to November 30,** for all species: The fish ponds within Greenough Park in Missoula. Bell Creek from Harrison Avenue to the Butte Country Club property line.

**SET LINE FISHING:** None.

**SMALL FISH FOR BAIT:** Use not allowed.

**OTHER:** There shall be no daily bag and possession limit on eastern brook trout in Trask (Hidden) Lakes and Thompson (Goat) Lakes west of Deer Lodge, Silver Lake south of Saltese and Diamond Lake south of Superior.

The daily bag and possession limit on grayling in Heart Lake near Lincoln shall be five (5) fish.

## AREA NO. 3
### Southwest Montana

**JEFFERSON RIVER, MADISON RIVER AND GALLATIN RIVER DRAINAGES**

**CLOSED ENTIRE YEAR: Gallatin Drainage**—That portion of Bozeman Creek (Sour Dough Creek) from the Settling Basin of the water supply for the city of Bozeman to its source, including all tributaries and Mystic Lake. Lyman Creek from the Bozeman water intake to its source.

**Jefferson Drainage**—Harrison Lake (Willow Creek Reservoir), except that portion of the lake known as the Norwegian Creek Arm. Willow Creek, inlet to Harrison Lake, from the lake to the weir approximately two hundred (200) feet above state spawning traps.

**Madison Drainage**—The Madison River from Hebgen Dam to Cabin Creek.

**Beaverhead Drainage**—Indian Creek and its tributaries from the Sheridan public water supply intake to its source. All waters within the Red Rock Lakes Migratory Waterfowl Refuge except Shambow Pond and the following drainages: Elk Springs Creek, Picnic Creek and Odell Creek.

**OPEN ENTIRE YEAR** for all species: The Gallatin River below the Trident Bridge (County Bridge No. 5). Jefferson River downstream from iron rod Highway 34 bridge near Silver Star. Madison River below Ennis Lake and Ennis Lake to the permanent markers three hundred (300) feet below the Madison River inlet.

**OPEN MAY 24 to NOVEMBER 30** for all species: All waters unless otherwise specified.

**SPECIAL SEASONS:** The South Fork of the Madison River downstream from the U. S. 191 bridge, and the waters within the Manhattan Game Preserve shall be open from May 24 to September 30. Hebgen Lake and Ruby Reservoir shall be open from May 24 to November 30. In addition they shall be open from December 1 to March 31 on Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays only. Regular limits shall apply. That portion of Harrison Lake (Willow Creek Reservoir) known as Norwegian Creek Arm shall be open from May 24 to July 15. Cliff Lake shall be open from May 24 to November 30, and in addition the east arm of Cliff Lake shall be open to the taking of whitefish only with a limit of fifty (50) fish from October 16 to December 15. The following waters in the Upper Red Rock drainage, Elk Springs Creek, Picnic Creek and Odell Creek and the following waters: Hidden, Goose and Otter Lakes draining into the Cliff Lake drainage shall be open to fishing from the last Sunday in June through November 30 and closed the remainder of the year. Shambow Pond within the Red Rock Lakes refuge shall be open May 24 through November 30.

**WHITEFISH ONLY SEASON December 1 to March 31:** East, West and Main Gallatin Rivers, Ruby River below Ruby Dam. Big Hole River below Divide Dam. Beaverhead River. Red Rock River below Lower Red Rock Lake.

**CHILDREN'S FISHING WATERS:** The following waters as posted, will be open to persons twelve (12) years of age and under, from **May 24 to November 30** for all species: Lott's Slough or drain ditch from its source to the old road crossing one (1) mile north of Twin Bridges. Willow Creek Drainage Canal near Three Forks. Pond in Lindley Park, Bozeman. Scout Lake in Vigilante Boy Scout Camp. Virginia City Pond.

**SET LINE FISHING:** None.

**SMALL FISH FOR BAIT:** Use not allowed except sculpins (Cottus).

**OTHER:** Fishing from or with the aid of boats or other floating craft or device is prohibited in the Madison River from Cabin Creek to the Varney Bridge.

## AREA NO. 4
### Central Montana

**UPPER MISSOURI RIVER, UPPER MUSSELSHELL RIVER, DEARBORN RIVER, SUN RIVER, TETON RIVER, MARIAS RIVER, ST. MARY RIVER AND UPPER MILK RIVER DRAINAGES (Defined as the Missouri River and tributary drainages from Three Forks to, and including the Marias River, tributary drainages of the Missouri River on the south side from the Marias, to but not including the Musselshell River; the Musselshell River and tributary drainages below the bridge at Mosby; the St. Mary River and tributary drainages and the Milk River and tributary drainages in Glacier County).**

**CLOSED ENTIRE YEAR:** Midvale Creek and the intake reservoir from the intake to to the Glacier Park Hotel Company water supply to the Glacier Park boundary. Spillway and outlet works at Tiber Dam as posted. Inlet of main Nilan Reservoir and inlet of the small lake lying west of the Reservoir as posted. Freezout and Priest Lakes in Teton County. The Missouri River within three hundred (300) feet below Toston Dam. That portion of Giant Springs at Great Falls enclosed by the concrete walks and masonry work. Flagstaff Creek and tributaries to Holliday Lake in the Musselshell drainage. Crater Lake (Boundary Lake) in Meagher County. Willow Creek and its tributaries from the White Sulphur Springs public water intake to its source.

**OPEN ENTIRE YEAR: 5:00 a. m.-10:00 p. m.** Missouri River and its main stem impoundments. Tintinger Sloughs near Cascade. Teton River below U. S. Highway No. 91. Sun River below Diversion Dam. Marias River below Tiber Dam. Pondera Coulee. Judith River below its confluence with Big Springs Creek. Musselshell River downstream from the bridge at Barber. All farm ponds and farm reservoirs excluding those where a season is specified elsewhere under this area. All lakes and reservoirs in Area No. 4, excluding lakes where a season is specified elsewhere under this Area, shall be open the entire year, except for three hundred (300) feet in any direction into the lakes from stream or canal mouths (excluding seepage areas) which shall be closed from March 1 to May 23.

**Open at all hours:** The Missouri River below Morony Dam.

**OPEN MAY 24 to NOVEMBER 30** for all species: All waters unless otherwise specified.

**OPEN JUNE 14 to NOVEMBER 30** for all species: The inlet canal to Lake Francis from the Kunkle Drop to its mouth and a portion of Lake Francis included within a radius of three hundred (300) feet of the mouth of said canal. The inlet canal to Pishkun Reservoir below that portion known as the "well" or inlet including the well.

**SPECIAL SEASON:** Kipp Lake in Glacier County shall be open from December 1 to March 31 and closed the balance of the year. Holliday Lake in Meagher County shall be open from January 1 to January 31 and closed the balance of the year. Pishkun, Split Rock and Willow Creek Reservoirs (near Augusta) shall be closed to fishing from March 1 to June 13 and during the migratory waterfowl season. They shall be open the remainder of the year. Aarod Lakes shall be closed to fishing from March 1 to June 13 and open the remainder of the year.

**WHITEFISH ONLY SEASON December 1 to March 31:** Smith River below the North and South Forks.

**SNAGGING OF KOKANEE October 1 to December 15** from 8:00 a. m. to 5:00 p. m. each day: Inlet canal from Kunkle Drop to Lake Francis. Lake Francis and the outlet stream for one-quarter (¼) mile below Lake Francis.

**CHILDREN'S FISHING WATERS:** The following waters, as posted, will be open to persons twelve (12) years of age and under from **May 24 to November 30** for all species: Spring Creek from the Milwaukee bridge to Bryan Corbett fence below Choteau. Elk Creek (South Fork of Sun River) from the bridge on Highway No. 21 east of Augusta to the bridge on Highway 33. Izaac Walton Kid's pond, old State Fair grounds, Helena. Children's fishing pond on Malmstrom Air Force Base.

**SET LINE FISHING** for all species: Missouri River from Canyon Ferry Dam to Holter Dam including Canyon Ferry Reservoir from December 1 to February 28. Missouri River from Cascade Bridge to Black Eagle Dam and below Morony Dam open entire year. Teton River below U. S. Highway No. 91 open entire year. Marias River below Pugsley's Bridge (first bridge below Tiber Dam) open entire year. Musselshell River below the bridge at Barber, open all year.

**SMALL FISH FOR BAIT:** Use not allowed except sculpins (Cottus).

## AREA NO. 5
### South Central Montana

**UPPER YELLOWSTONE RIVER DRAINAGE (Defined as the Yellowstone River drainage above and including Clark Fork River).**

**CLOSED ENTIRE YEAR:** The first West Fork of Rock Creek (Red Lodge water supply) from the mouth of Washoe Creek to Rock Creek.

**OPEN ENTIRE YEAR:** Yellowstone River; Lindsay Lakes; Bluewater Creek; Cooney Reservoir; and Clark Fork of the Yellowstone River in Carbon County during the regular fishing hours, except for the portion of the Clark Fork open to set line fishing which shall be open at all hours.

**OPEN MAY 24 to NOVEMBER 30** for all species: All waters unless otherwise specified.

**WHITEFISH ONLY SEASON December 1 to March 31:** Shields River below Wilsall, Boulder River below Natural bridge excluding tributaries.

**SNAGGING OF KOKANEE October 1 to December 15** from 8:00 a. m. to 5:00 p. m. each day: Dailey Lake, Lindsay Lake.

**CHILDREN'S FISHING WATERS:** The following waters, as posted, will be open to persons twelve (12) years of age and under from **May 24 to November 30** for all species: Ball's Pond.

**SET LINE FISHING:** Clark Fork of the Yellowstone River from the bridge at Bridger to the Yellowstone River.

**SMALL FISH FOR BAIT:** Use not allowed except sculpins (Cottus).

**OTHER:** In lakes of the Beartooth Mountain area of Carbon and Stillwater Counties, and of that portion of Park County lying within the Clark Fork drainage (Cooke City area) except Cooney Reservoir, East Rosebud, West Rosebud, Emerald, Crater, and No Ketchum Lakes the daily bag and possession limit on all species of trout, char, and grayling shall be ten (10) pounds and one (1) fish.

The daily bag and possession limit on eastern brook trout shall be ten (10) pounds and one (1) fish in all of Area No. 5. This limit may be taken in addition to the limits of other species of fish.

## AREA NO. 6
### Northeastern Montana

**LOWER MISSOURI RIVER, LOWER MUSSELSHELL RIVER AND MILK RIVER DRAINAGES (Defined as the Missouri River drainage below the Musselshell River, the Missouri River and all drainages from the north which enter the Missouri River between the Marias River and the Musselshell River, the Milk River drainage, and Musselshell River and drainages below the bridge at Mosby).**

**CLOSED ENTIRE YEAR:** The concrete walls and spillway structure below Fresno Dam and the city water supply intake as posted. That portion of the Missouri River between the outlet tunnels and the channel markers below the concrete apron of Fort Peck Dam. Wind Creek excluding Ross Reservoir, from Clear Creek road crossing to its source.

**OPEN ENTIRE YEAR** for all species: All waters shall be open at all hours unless otherwise specified.

**OPEN MAY 24 to NOVEMBER 30** for all species: Streams south of Highway No. 2 that have their source in the Bear Paw Mountains.

Reservoirs south of Highway No. 2 in Hill, Chouteau and Blaine Counties.

**SPECIAL SEASONS:** Such portions of the waters of Medicine Lake which shall be designated by the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service shall be open July 1 to September 15 and November 15 to March 31.

**SET LINE FISHING:** Open entire year for all species of fish in all waters except the following: Reservoirs and streams south of Highway No. 2, in Hill, Blaine and Chouteau Counties, not including the Missouri and Milk Rivers. Whitetail Reservoir in Daniels County. Raymond Reservoir in Sheridan County. Poplar River and the South Fork of the Poplar River in Daniels County. No more than six (6) lines with a combined total of six (6) hooks shall be allowed on Nelson Reservoir (for example; six lines with one hook each, one line with six hooks, etc.).

**MINNOW SEINES AND TRAPS AND SMALL FISH FOR BAIT:** Use allowed in all waters except the following: Fresno Reservoir and Milk River above Fresno Dam shall be closed to minnow fishing. Streams and ponds, except Milk River, south of Highway No. 2 in Hill, Blaine and Chouteau Counties.

Where use of minnows for fishing is allowed, minnows of non-game species may be taken:

(1) With a seine not to exceed twelve (12) feet in length, three (3) feet in width, and one-quarter (¼) inch mesh; or

(2) With minnow traps not to exceed eighteen (18) inches in length and ten (10) inches in diameter.

## AREA NO. 7
### Southeastern Montana

**LOWER YELLOWSTONE RIVER AND LITTLE MISSOURI RIVER DRAINAGES (Defined as the Yellowstone River drainage below and excluding the Clark Fork River, and all other drainages in Montana southeast of the Yellowstone River).**

**CLOSED ENTIRE YEAR:** None.

**OPEN ENTIRE YEAR:** All waters at all hours except Lamesteer Reservoir, tributary streams of the Big Horn and Little Big Horn Rivers, and the Little Big Horn River above Highway No. 87 bridge at the Francis Eggart Ranch.

Miles City Fish Pond shall be open only during regular fishing hours.

**OPEN MAY 24 to NOVEMBER 30** for all species: Tributary streams of the Big Horn and Little Big Horn Rivers, and the Little Big Horn River above the Highway No. 87 bridge at the Francis Eggart Ranch.

**SPECIAL SEASONS:** Lamesteer Reservoir open the last Sunday in June through April 14, except for the migratory waterfowl hunting season.

**SET LINE FISHING:** All rivers and creeks for all species of fish except the tributaries to the Big Horn River; Pryor Creek; the Yellowstone River from the mouth of the Powder River to the U. S. Highway No. 10 bridge at Fallon and from Intake Dam near Savage to the ferry cable; the Tongue River drainage above the Tongue River Dam near Decker, Montana. All ponds, reservoirs and lakes are closed to set line fishing.

**MINNOW SEINES AND TRAPS AND SMALL FISH FOR BAIT:** Use allowed in waters open to set line fishing and the Yellowstone River. Minnow seines and traps where allowed shall conform to rules prescribed under Drainage Area No. 6.

**OTHER:** The daily bag and possession limit on eastern brook trout shall be ten (10) pounds and one (1) fish. This limit may be taken in addition to the limits on other species of fish.

**Please Note:** The following streams on Tribal Lands in the Crow Indian Reservation are reserved by the Tribal Council for fishing by Indians only, and will be enforced by the Tribal Council. North Fork of Lodge Grass Creek, Black Canyon Creek, Bull Elk Creek and Devils Canyon Creek in their entirety; Lodge Grass Creek from the mouth of the Canyon to the Wyoming line; Pryor Creek from headwaters to the Wilson Ranch Line Fence; Sage Creek from the first Bridge below the Forest Service boundary to the Forest Service boundary; Dryhead Creek, the lower five miles; further described as being in grazing units Numbers 25, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, and portions of units 24, 29, 32, and 33. Further information may be secured from the Department of the Interior, Crow Indian Agency, Crow Agency, Montana.